



Huntington Lodge, No. 1565, B.P.O.E.

The Trail

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Exalted Ruler's Message

Brothers & Sisters,

First I want to wish you a very Happy New Year! I hope you all enjoyed the holidays. 2009 was a rough year for most of us, let's hope that things turn around in 2010.

Now let me tell you about the **Changing of the Guard**. As most of you know, for many years PER Gene Okray has been the tireless Editor of the Trail. After more than 9 years, Gene has now passed the reigns to a new editor. Last month's issue was Gene's final issue. We thank Gene for the great job that he has done keeping us up-to-date on the coming and going on in the lodge. Bravo!

And now I would like to introduce your new **Editor of the Trail**, Susan Schaefer. Many of you know Susan, as the wife of Huntington's Lodge Sponsor Kevin Schaefer. Some of you may even remember that Susan had been the Trail Editor years back. I want to thank Susan for once again taking over this important job.

On Thursday, Dec. 10th at the Homecoming of the District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Dave Schotz, I had the honor of receiving the 2009-2010 District Ritual Award, that was presented to Huntington Lodge as the **First Place Lodge** in the East District! My thanks to all my officers for their hard work. My thanks also go out to our ritual coaches Bill Martin, Kevin Schaefer, Jim Vaughn and Bob Ryan.

Now the Big News! My heartiest congratulations to Huntington Lodge's Three All-Stars
2009-2010 **All-Star Lecturing Knight** Doug Bassin
2009-2010 **All-Star Esquire** Vivian Concar
2009-2010 **All-Star Chaplain** Judie Warden

Our test run of **Jazz Night @ the Elks** on Dec. 4th & 11th went well. Thanks to everyone that came down to the lodge for dinner and drinks. Starting January 15th, we will have Jazz Night **EVERY FRIDAY!** Invite your friends, relatives and neighbors. You'll have a great time. Planning a small party or a romantic evening? Have it on Jazz Night!

For those of you who have been to the lodge in the last few weeks, you may have noticed the Pergola, under construction in the Lorraine Martin Memorial garden. This beautiful structure is the **Eagle Project** of Zach Kulsziski. Zach is member of Boy Scout Troop 200, in Elwood.

Don't forget the **The 300 Club**. You still have plenty of chances to win. The 300 Club is one of our biggest fundraisers and a fun way to win money *and* get a free buffet dinner for two. So what are you waiting for? Call now 631.271.1565

If there is ever anything I can do for you please e-mail me at tom@huntingtonelks.org or call me at 631.682.4033 / or call our Secretary Bill Martin at 631.271.1565 or e-mail Bill at lodge@huntingtonelks.org.

Fraternally,
Tom Litwin, E.R.

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From the Secretary

Bill Martin, *Secretary*

I want to thank those of you who responded to my plea for e-mail addresses. Please if you have e-mail send me the address as the snail mail Trail will cease effective with the March, 2010 issue. We are up to 127 e-mail addresses out of our 351 members—still not good.

Be advised that the restaurant will be closed from December 19, 2009 thru January 4, 2010. We will reopen on Tuesday, January 5, 2010.

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR



Memorial Service, December 6th

STARTING JAN. 15th

JAZZ NIGHT @ the ELKS

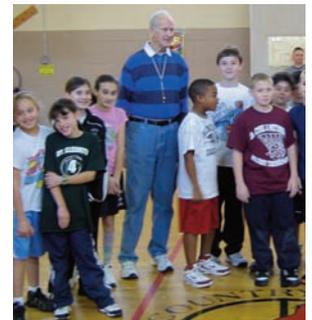
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Hoop Shoot 2010

On Saturday morning, January 9th at 9 am, Stan Sielaff and his team of volunteers will hold this year's lodge Hoop Shoot contest at the Oakwood Primary School, 264 West 22nd Street, Huntington Station (a few blocks west of Oakwood Road). Volunteers should arrive by 8:30 am. More help is always needed.



Stan has been running the Hoop Shoot Program for the lodge for 39 years (that's a year longer than Stan's been a Elk).

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Jan. 1st HAPPY NEW YEAR
- Jan. 7th General Meeting 8 p.m.
- Jan. 9th Elks Hoop Shoot, Oakwood School 9 a.m.
- Jan. 15th Jazz Night @ the Lodge 7:30 – 11:30 p.m.
- Jan. 21st General Meeting 8 p.m.
- Jan. 22th Jazz Night @ the Lodge 7:30 – 11:30 p.m.
- Jan. 29th Jazz Night @ the Lodge 7:30 – 11:30 p.m.
- Jan. 31th 300 Club Buffet 3 – 5 p.m.
- Feb. 4th General Meeting, PER Night, Initiation 8 p.m.
- Feb. 5th Jazz Night @ the Lodge 7:30 – 11:30 p.m.

Please Party Respectibly

300 CLUB

Bill Martin, *Secretary*

The following is a list of the latest winners of the 300 Club.

Week # 13 175 & 261 Week # 14 115 & 195

Week # 15 53 & 204 Week # 15 74 & 81

Congratulations to our above winners. You still have a few weeks left to join. The buffet at the end of the drawings is more than worth the \$20 alone as there are also 2 drawings for \$150 that day. So buy a ticket now and maybe it will be your number, for a chance to win \$50 or \$150 at the **Free Buffet on January 31 from 3-5pm** (for 300 Club ticket holders). All proceeds go to Youth Activities and Veterans Services. Call Bill Martin at the Lodge (631) 271-1565, or at home (631) 271-4187.

From the Editor

Susan Schaefer

It's been a long time since I did the Trail (on a typewriter!) and I'm looking forward to it. I hope this finds you all healthy and well and ready for a new year.

Please feel free to send me articles or notes or pictures that you would like included in future Trails. Depending on available space, I will gladly include them.

If possible, please send your e-mail address to our Secretary Bill Martin so that we may send you the Trail.

Don't forget, we are OPEN on Tuesdays and Fridays for dinner. Friday nights will also have Halley's Comets performing live jazz for your enjoyment!

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Army-Navy Game Party at the VA Hospital, December 12th



Members and guests enjoying dinner at Jazz Night



Halley's Comets, Jazz Night, December 4th

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LODGE MEETING NIGHTS

First and third Thursdays of each month at 8:00 PM.

NOTICE TO PROPOSER OF APPLICANTS

There is an Initiation fee of \$75.00 of which \$50.00 must accompany each application form. The Membership Committee meets at the Lodge Tuesday following the Lodge Session, and will be glad to hear from any Brother for or against any candidate. The Committee request that all sponsors accompany their candidates on evening of interview.

Lodge Officers 2009-2010

EXALTED RULER
Tom Litwin, PER

LEADING KNIGHT
Robert Gaun

LOYAL KNIGHT
Jack Safarik

LECTURING KNIGHT
Douglas Bassin

SECRETARY
William Martin, PER

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Edward Farquhar, PER

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Vivian Concar

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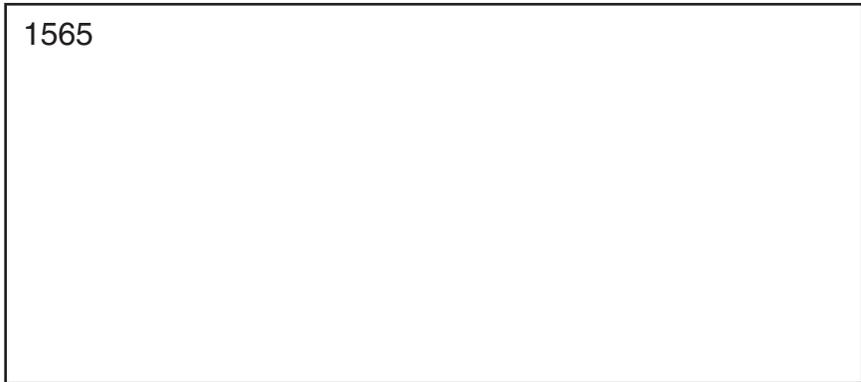
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